

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**ST. LOUIS DISTRICT CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

November 07, 2013

Regulatory Branch

File Number: MVS-2012-710

Mr. Peter Swenson WW-16J US EPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Dear Mr. Swenson:

Enclosed is the Section 404 enforcement case for alleged unauthorized activities within jurisdictional waters of the United States situated adjacent to/within Moredock Lake, a waterbody connected to the Mississippi River. On November 27th, 2012, I confirmed the discharge of fill material into waters of the United States through the direct placement of material derived from mechanized land clearing of vegetation from the perimeter of Moredock Lake. Trees from the perimeter of the lake were cleared and pushed into the lake. The fill included the trees, their root balls, and the soil scraped by the blade of the mechanized equipment.

The aquatic resources impacted by the above stated activities include up to approximately 2,350 linear feet of the lakes bankline. The area of impact is estimated to be over 4 acres. Moredock Lake is connected via ditches, canals, and levied waterways to the Mississippi River, a navigable in-fact waterway.

Based on our prior coordination with Mr. Yone Yu from your office and a September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 letter requesting the file, we are forwarding a copy of the file for your review and processing as you deem appropriate. If you need further information or assistance on this case, you may call me at 314-331-8811.

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Project Manager

Illinois Permits Region

Enclosures:

File Correspondence DVD (Videos and Photos) Alleged victim's property survey Aerial Photo's